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In taking charge as owner and editor of the Courier, I am not without a deep sense of what it involves. For so long the leading newspaper in this county, if not more extended in its influence politically and otherwise, the undertaking to maintain it in this position is a task worthy of a long experience in newspaper publication, and how one with scarcely any experience since early boyhood can hope to succeed, may keep you guessing for awhile.

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Trusting that these assurances will meet with the approval of all our friends as well as subscribers, we will do our best to make good and merit patronage.

E. B. KELLOGG.

In case of war involving the United States, Missouri has 653,516 citizens subject to call for military duty, being third in point of numbers. New York comes first with 1,092,125, Michigan second with 707,906 men between 18 and 45 years of age. The great state of Texas has but 593,024.

Governor Hadley took passage Tuesday on the steamer Cape Girardeau from St. Louis to the city of same name as the boat. When the negro roustabouts learned that the governor was a passenger they walked off the boat just as it was time to depart and refused to make the trip unless their wages were increased \$25 per month. The outlook for a democratic governor improves every day.

The Eminent Catholic Prelate, Cardinal Gibbons says that Mormonism, divorce, Sabbath desecration, election frauds, sequestration of religious and secular education and delay in executing criminal court sentences are the five greatest evils that menace the life of the nation. He regards mormonism as the worst, but says our insatiable greed for gain the co-existence of colossal wealth with abject poverty, the extravagance of the rich, the discontent of the poor, eager and impetuous rushing thru life is having much to do with it.

Prof. Edward M. Conner, a London scientist who has made a life study of the history function and causes of inflammation of the vermiform appendix, declares that appendicitis, the now popular disease, first made its appearance among the wealthy. He further declares that minute steel particles inhaled on rail-

way and street railroads and taken into the system by eating bread from flour prepared in roller mills. Now go for strawberries, on which the blame had rested, and eat corn bread.

Three women, Miss Emily Willard of the United States—Mille Helene Dutrieu of France and Mrs. James V. Martin of England, noted bird-women and the unmarried one mighty good looking, will fly at the Harvard Aeronautical meet late in the summer. No objection seems to have been raised by Monsieur Dutrieu or Mr. Martin, and their wives should grow suspicious and stay on earth. If Miss Willard has been disappointed let her come west?

Mrs. Willard Hitt of near Allenville, Mo., took treatment of Prof. S. Haskill, whose letter heads declare him to be a "Magnetic and Divine Healer" is insane. His headquarters are at Murphysboro, Ill., and for a year Mrs. Hitt has sent him \$5 a month for treatment, which consisted of a letter each week to his patient, which letter was to be worn next whatever part of her person she felt pain. He never once recommended that she wear the whole correspondence on her head.

When H. Clay Pierce, the President of Waters-Pierce Oil Co. who has been having a large bunch of trouble in connection with the prosecution of the Standard Oil Co. as well as his own Co. was on the witness stand in behalf of his son, Roy E. Pierce who is seeking separation from the woman he married and who it is claimed by Roy's father was and is a bad character, he was asked; "Has your son led a life of idleness?" answered that he had, absolutely. The court trying the case seems inclined to pour no oil on the Waters or Pierce troubles, holding that the woman is good enough for such a man. We concur.

#### Across State Road.

Governor Hadley has appointed the following Committee to investigate and determine the best of three proposed routes for a road for vehicles from St. Louis to Kansas City. Col. H. N. Gentry of Sedalia—Fred D. Munson of Osceola—E. E. Swink, Farmington—Col. W. A. Dallmeyer, Jefferson City—Geo. A. Sly, Rockport—Chas. A. Householder, Auxvasse, and Allen H. Thompson of Nashua, all members of State Board of Agriculture. Mr. Curtis Hill, State Highway Engineer has suggested the routes to be selected from. One called the Southern is from St. Louis to Jefferson City, Sedalia, Warrensburg, Pleasant Hill to Kansas City. Another called central route is; St. Louis to Warrenton, Fulton, Fayette, Glasgow, Marshall, Higginsville, Independence, Kansas City.

The other or northern course is: St. Louis to Louisiana, Mexico, Moberly, Keytesville, Carrollton, Richmond, Liberty, Kansas City. The northern route is by far the best proposed, being nearly all the way over the finest and loveliest part of the State. Everybody is interested in this question, and when the committee makes investigation of this northern route, we trust every encouragement will be given it to locate road along that route.

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No. 12 St. Louis Express..... 4:23 p. m.  
No. 70 Local Freight..... 1:30 p. m.

#### GOING WEST

No. 51 K. C. Accommodation..... 6:50 a. m.  
No. 3 K. C. Mail and Express..... 2:13 p. m.  
No. 71 Local Freight..... 9:30 a. m.  
No. 53 K. C. Accommodation..... 4:48 p. m.

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